

General Assembly

Amendment

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Offered by: SEN. KELLY, 21st Dist.

To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 255

File No. 144

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"AN ACT CONCERNING FLAME RETARDANTS."

Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force 4 to study the effect of the flame retardant chemicals on the health and 5 development of children in this state. Such study shall include, but not be limited to, an examination of federal regulations and standards 6 7 regarding the use of such flame retardant chemicals in children's 8 products. For the purposes of this subsection, "flame retardant 9 chemical" means any chemical or chemical compound for which a 10 functional use is to resist or inhibit the spread of fire. "Flame retardant 11 chemical" includes, but is not limited to, halogenated, phosphorous-12 based, nitrogen-based and nanoscale flame retardants, and any 13 chemical or chemical compound for which "flame retardant" appears on 14 the substance safety data sheet pursuant to 29 CFR 1910.1200(g), as 15 amended from time to time.

(b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

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17 (1) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;

- 18 (2) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;
- 19 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
- 20 Representatives;
- 21 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;
- 22 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of 23 Representatives;
- 24 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;
- 25 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
- 26 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
- of the General Assembly.
- 28 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than
- 29 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
- 30 filled by the appointing authority.
- 31 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro
- 32 tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force from
- among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall schedule
- 34 the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not later than sixty
- 35 days after the effective date of this section.
- 36 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
- 37 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children
- 38 shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.
- 39 (g) Not later than January 1, 2023, the task force shall submit a report
- 40 on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of
- 41 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children,
- 42 in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.
- 43 The task force shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or
- 44 January 1, 2023, whichever is later."

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This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1 from passage New section